GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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NEW MEDICAL COLLEGES IN KERALA
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria to sanction a Medical College in the State;

(b) the total applications received from Kerala to start new Medical Colleges; and

(c) the number of institutes got approval from the Union Government?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) The detailed criteria for sanction of new medical college are prescribed in the `Establishment of Medical College Regulations, 1999` of Medical Council of India.

(b) 26 applications were received from Kerala in August 2001 for permission to open medical colleges. Only 5 applications were found to be complete in all respects and were referred to the Medical Council of India for inspection.The remaining 21 applications were found to be incomplete and were returned to applicants.

(c) So far, permission of the Central Government has been granted for establishment of Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences & Research Centre at Elamakkara, Kochi.Further, letter of Intent for establishment of a new medical college at Karakonam by CSI South Kerala Medical Mission, Karakonam and at Tiruvalla by Pushpagiri Medical Society have been issuedIn fourth case for establishment of a new medical college at Kolencherry by Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church Medical Mission Hospital recommendations of Medical Council of India have been received for issue of Letter of Intent.In fifth case, Inspectors have been appointed by Medical Council of India to inspect the medical college to verify infrastructural facilities and other facilities at Mala, Trissur by Imam Razi Muslim Educational Charitable Trust, Palakkad.